dangerous for living. In addition, the huge quantity of rice stacked in the godown further exposed the structure to danger. The findings have been accepted by the Lt. Governor, Delhi. The concerned Departments have been asked to take necessary action against the persons responsible for lapses on their part.

Visits of Indian Delegations Abroad

267. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of official Indian delegations which visited various countries during the last three months; and

(b) the outcome of each visit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) Details of the official Indian delegations sponsored by Ministry of External Affairs during the last three months are given in the attached Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLIII, Annexure No. 10].

Issues to be discussed at Seventh Session of UNCTAD

268. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and other developing countries have evolved a common approach to the international economic issues to be discussed at the Seventh Session of the UNCTAD in Geneva on July 31, 1987; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the common approach and the issues that are likely to come up at the UNCTAD-VII?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) In preparation for the Seventh Session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, India and other Developing Countries, Members of the Group of 77, met at Ministerial level at Havana from 20 to 25 April, 1987 and evolved common approaches on the issues covered by the agenda for the Conference. These relate to resources for development primary commodities, International trade and problems of Least Developed among the Developing Countries. Issues pertaining to all these areas are presently being discussed at the UNCTAD-VII Conference.

Export of Agricultural Products

269. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that export of agricultural products has touched a new high during 1986-87;

(b) if so, the total exports of agricultural products during the above period and the comparative figures for the preceding two years; and

(c) what steps were taken to boost export of these items, otherwise, during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The value of India's export of agricultural produce according to provisional statistics available from Commodity Boards/Councils etc. for the last three years are as follows:

Year	Value in Rs. crores
1984-85	1450
1985-86	500
1986-87	1700

(c) Several measures have been taken to boost exports of agricultural items including grant of CCS on oil-meals exports, inclusion of agricultural export in the new CCS regime, duty concessions on asceptic packing system and packaging materails, abolition of export duty on unmanufactured tobacco, abolition of excise duty on cigar, Cheroots and Hookah paste etc. In addition, the institutional framework has been strengthened with the establishment of the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and the Spices Board.

Killings by Terrorists in South Delhi

270. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorists struck terror by killing at least 14 persons and injuring several others with stenguns, pistols and hand-grenades at different places in South Delhi on the night of June 13, 1987;

(b) if so, what effective steps have since been taken to tackle terrorism in the Capital; and

(c) whether the culprits responsible for June 13, incidents have been apprehended; if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) 14 persons were killed and 18 injuired in the incidents of indiscriminate firing by the terrorists at four places in South Delhi on the 13th June, 1987. They had used stengun and pistols. At one place a hand grenade was also thrown but did not explode.

(b) The strength of the police Control Room vehicles has been increased to 165 round the clock. 100 pickets armed with automatic weapons and wireless sets have been posted at strategic points in the city.

(c) The culprits have been identified and one of them has already been arrested by the Punjab Police.

Export Performance of Large Industrial Houses relating to Engineering Goods

271. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large industrtial houses are responsible for the poor export performance relating to engineering goods;

(b) whether Government propose to withdraw certain concessions given to them; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The poor performance of engineering exports in the last few years has been on account of various factors like balance of payment problems in our traditional markets, un-competitiveness of the domestic industry, high costs industry, high costs of inputs in the domestic markets, etc. Thus, while exports of some of the large houses have been low the poor export performance of engineering products cannot be attributed only to the lack of effort by large industrial houses.

(b) and (c) Under the Export Policy, no special concessions are provided to the large industial houses. As such the question of withdrawal of any concessions to the large houses does not arise.